## AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

The following claim set replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- (previously presented) Process for producing a multilayer flat film <u>comprising</u> <u>providing</u> eentaining a polyamide layer and a layer of another polymer, <u>and</u> <u>joining the polyamide layer to the layer of another polymer,</u> wherein the polyamide layer is essentially formed from an intrinsically gel-free, randomly branched polyamide at least composed of units derived from:
  - AB monomers <u>having</u> , which are understood to be a monomer

    possessing both a carboxylic acid group (A) and an amine group (B),
  - at least one compound I, being a carboxylic acid (A<sub>v</sub>) with functionality v ≥ 2 or an amine (B<sub>w</sub>) with a functionality w ≥ 2.
  - c. at least one compound II, being a carboxylic acid (A<sub>v</sub>) with functionality v≥3 or an amine (B<sub>w</sub>) with functionality w≥3, with compound II being a carboxylic acid if compound I is an amine or with compound II being an amine if compound I is a carboxylic acid, wherein the quantities of units, derived from all the carboxylic acids and amines in the polyamide, satisfy formula 1.

$$P < 1 / [(F_A-1)\cdot(F_B-1)]$$
 (1)

where

$$P = \left[\sum (n_i \cdot f_i)\right] x / \left[\sum (n_i \cdot f_i)\right] y \tag{2}$$

where P≤1 and either X=A and Y=B, or X-B and Y=A and

$$F = \sum (n_i \cdot f_i^2) / \sum (n_i \cdot f_i)$$
 (3)

for, respectively, all carboxylic acids  $(F_A)$  and amines  $(F_B)$  wherein  $f_i$  is the functionality of a carboxylic acid  $(v_i)$  or amine  $(w_i)$ ,  $\underline{n}_i$  is the number of

moles of a carboxylic acid or amine and the summation is conducted for all units derived from carboxylic acids and amines in the polyamide.

- (previously presented) Process according to claim 1, wherein the other polymer is polyethylene.
- (previously presented) Process according to claim 2, wherein the polyethylene is a non-linear polyethylene.
- (previously presented) Process according to claim 1, wherein the polyamide layer and the layer of the other polymer are adjacent to each other.
- 5. (currently amended) Multilayer flat film containing a polyamide layer and a layer of another polymer, wherein the polyamide layer is essentially formed from an intrinsically gel-free, randomly branched polyamide at least composed of units derived from:
  - AB monomers <u>having</u> , which are understood to be a monomer
     possessing both a carboxylic acid group (A) and an amine group (B),
  - at least one compound I, being a carboxylic acid (A<sub>v</sub>) with functionality v ≥ 2 or an amine (B<sub>w</sub>) with a functionality w ≥ 2.
  - c. at least one compound II, being a carboxylic acid (A<sub>v</sub>) with functionality v≥3 or an amine (B<sub>w</sub>) with functionality w≥3, with compound II being a carboxylic acid if compound I is an amine or with compound II being an amine if compound I is a carboxylic acid, wherein the quantities of units, derived from all the carboxylic acids and amines in the polyamide, satisfy formula 1

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 (3)

for, respectively, all carboxylic acids ( $F_A$ ) and amines ( $F_B$ ) wherein  $f_i$  is the functionality of a carboxylic acid ( $v_i$ ) or amine ( $w_i$ ),  $\underline{n}_i$  is the number of moles of a carboxylic acid or amine and the summation is conducted for all units derived from carboxylic acids and amines in the polyamide.